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Memorial Day ceremony

Sgt. Matthew Portanova stands at the position of attention while Col. (Ret) Leonard Fischer places a wreath in front of the ASA Memorial during the command's annual Memorial Day ceremony, May 24. Four service members were honored, as their names were added to the INSCOM Memorial in front of the Nolan Bldg., Fort Belvoir, Va. For more photos from the ceremony, turn to page 7.

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NOTES *for the* SOLDIER

INSCOM Day

Tickets are now on sale for the command's annual INSCOM Day, which is set for June 22.

The event is scheduled to take place behind INSCOM's headquarters, Nolan Building, Fort Belvoir, Va., beginning with an award ceremony at 9 a.m.

Ticket prices range from \$4 to \$8, depending on rank or grade, and may be purchased on Tuesdays or Thursdays at both the Nolan Bldg. and Metro Park locations.

See the world

The Defense Attaché System is recruiting only the most qualified NCOs (E-5 through E-8) for joint service staff assignments in over 120 locations worldwide.

NCOs considering attaché duty must be on active duty, qualify for or already possess a top secret security clearance, have a general technical score of 115 or higher, a clerical score of 120 or higher, a typing score of 42 words per minute or higher, and be computer literate with the latest word processing programs.

In addition, Soldiers must score a 95 or higher on the Defense Language Aptitude

Battery exam.

For more information, contact Sgt. 1st Class Edgar Vazquez at 202-231-7291.

Soldiers wanted

The Army is looking for 100 seasoned noncommissioned officers to join the ranks of the human intelligence force.

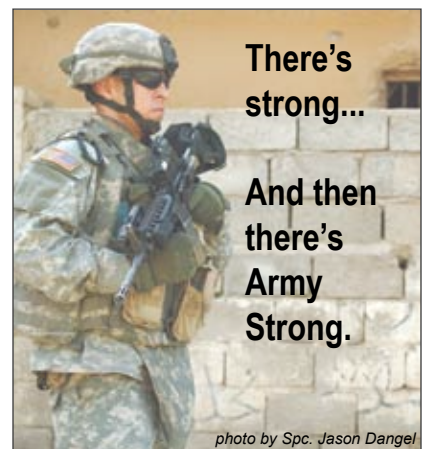
The goal of the HUMINT NCO Special Recruiting Program, which is opened to Soldiers of any military occupational specialty, is to quickly infuse 100 experienced NCOs and adaptive leaders with HUMINT collection and interrogation training into Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom deployed or deploying units.

NCOs accepted into this special program will receive the following training: MOS 97E10 Course, A2X Course, and EAIT or Source Operations Course. All program participants will be trained in Skill Level 10, 20, 30, and 40 HUMINT tasks. Foreign Language Training is NOT Required.

For more information, contact Chief Warrant Officer 5 Eddie Mallard at 703-428-4655.



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FOCUS ON SAFETY

The importance of boating and personal water craft safety cannot be overstated.

Every year, we lose Soldiers, Family members, and Civilians to senseless boating accidents, which in fact, could have been avoided by simply applying basic composite risk management techniques to your everyday recreational activities.

Four Soldiers lost their lives in boating-related accidents during 2005, and another lost his life this year in a personal water craft accident. The U.S. Coast Guard reports that each year hundreds die, thousands are injured, and millions of dollars in property damage occurs on U.S. waterways because of preventable accidents involving recreational boating and/or personal water crafts.

"If folks would use common sense and be courteous on the water, we would have a lot less problems," said Mr. Ronnie Haney, warden, game law enforcement, fish and wildlife division, Fort Rucker, Ala. "People need to learn the rules of the water like they have learned for the road."

With education being the key to safe boating operations, many boating safety courses are offered throughout the country. These courses include breakouts for all types of recreational boaters and for boaters of all ages. The U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center's Web site even provides links to

online boating safety courses.

"Operators also need to familiarize themselves with the regulations for their particular state," said Haney. "They need to read about the proper required safety equipment for their size of vessel".

Even paying careful attention to safety using composite risk management, dangerous mechanical problems can crop up on the best-maintained boats. The U.S. Coast Guard recommends that all recreational boaters (including personal watercraft users) take advantage of the free Vessel Safety Check program every year. This program educates and provides awareness of state and federal laws and can help watercraft operators avoid potential violations by checking their watercrafts and boats.

"We will give folks free courtesy inspections prior to entry in the water to make sure

they have the correct safety equipment for their boat or personal water craft," said Haney.

In addition to mechanical problems being a risk factor requiring awareness, operator impairment by alcohol that affects judgment, vision, balance and coordination increases the risks for accidents – for both passengers and boat operators. When looking at boating deaths involving alcohol use, more than half the victims capsize their boats and/or fall overboard according to U.S. Coast Guard data.

"Alcohol is a problem with some boaters. If I catch them, they are finished on the lake. I had to arrest a man two weeks ago for boating under the influence," Haney said.

Education, maintenance and equipment are all factors to having a safe and enjoyable weekend at the local lake or other open waterway.



photo by Shaun Quinlan

Safety should always be consider before and during any boating trip.

History Highlight

Nolan Building



file photo

The Nolan Building is the headquarters for the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command.

INSCOM History Office

Eighteen years ago, the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command dedicated its new headquarters – called the Nolan Building, June 2, 1989.

The building was named after Maj. Gen. Dennis E. Nolan, the Army's first general officer to be associated with military intelligence. As General John J. Pershing's G2 during World War I, Nolan first developed an intelligence organization in the American Army that provided support to the theater commander in the field as well as supporting deployed troops.

The Nolan Building's historical significance is greater than just the name. The relocation of INSCOM headquarters from Arlington Hall to Fort Belvoir meant that U.S. Army intelligence, at last, found a home that was specially designed for the centralization and dissemination of multidiscipline intelligence.

The Nolan Building rests on a 24-acre site.

The building itself measures 230,000 square feet, with over 124,000 square feet dedicated to work space. There are four floors – two above ground and two below. When the builders laid the reinforced base slab, they poured over 160 truck loads of cement in one day – at the time, a national record.

During the dedication ceremony, Lt. Gen. Harry E. Soyster, a former INSCOM commander, observed, "This new building is unique, INSCOM is unique. By entering these doors today, we turn another page, and those of us who enter this building will help to write the future."

The ceremony concluded with comments from Maj. Gen. Stanley H. Hyman, then the current INSCOM commander. Hyman noted that the building "represents the appreciation on the part of the Army leadership of the critical role intelligence plays in the defense of our nation ... it serves as a link between the future of Army intelligence and the heritage of an illustrious past."

WOLF TRACKS

by Wayne L. Kinsey
INSCOM G-3

The 19th National Operations Security Conference was held in Orlando, Fla., May 7-11.

The conference is sponsored by the Interagency OPSEC Support Staff (IOSS) and the OPSEC Professionals Society. Attendees included members of government agencies, military service members, and contractors – all of whom are engaged in matters of national security concern.

OPSEC is a process designed to protect our critical and sensitive information that affects our national security posture. Presenters at the conference provided a wealth of information on the protection of critical information. Some of the more important points made at the conference were:

Terrorists collected information for 12-18 months before their attack on the USS Cole.

Terrorists concentrate more than 80 percent of their collection efforts against unclassified information. If we protect our sensitive information, there will not be any



photo by Staff Sgt. Antonieta Rico

Remembering OPSEC helps keep Soldiers worldwide out of harm's way. information for them to collect.

There are 20 organizations archiving information placed on the World Wide Web and 20 countries that also archive this information. Thus we must ensure that no sensitive or critical information is placed on the web because it can not be recalled once placed there.

A certain Trojan horse program was launched in October and in February one of the leading software security companies issued a program to defeat it. Three days after the program was issued the Trojan morphed into a new form that rendered the program useless. We must ensure that personal items, such as thumb drives, disks and other media devices, are not connected to

our networks so as to reduce the possibility of infecting our networks.

Cell phones and Blackberry devices are targets of opportunity for intelligence collectors. Classified and critical sensitive information must not be discussed when using these devices.

Adversaries target spouses and family members of military personnel to collect critical information. Make sure that your spouses, Family members, and friends are aware of the need to protect sensitive information.

Direct all questions, issues, and recommended OPSEC topics for future publication to Kinsey at 703-706-1820, or DSN 235-1820.

Army defends body armor

WASHINGTON – U.S. troops operating in Iraq and Afghanistan have the best body armor in the world, and the Army is constantly looking for ways to improve force protection, the general in charge of the program told reporters at the Pentagon, May 22.

“Force protection is the number one priority of the U.S. Army. We value our Soldiers very highly, and we do everything we can do to ensure that they have the finest in force protection as they go into the battle,” Brig. Gen. R. Mark Brown, Soldier Protection Program executive officer, said at a Pentagon news conference.

In response to a May 17 NBC News report challenging the Army’s use of Interceptor body armor vs. the newer “Dragon Skin” armor developed by Pinnacle Armor Inc., Brown released information about the testing that ruled out Dragon Skin a year ago.

The tests were conducted May 16 to 19, 2006, at H.P. White labs near Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. The Pinnacle armor was subjected to the same tests Interceptor body armor goes through, first being X-rayed and analyzed and then undergoing a series of live-fire tests, Brown said. The live-fire tests included room-temperature tests, harsh environment tests, and durability and drop tests.

Of the eight Pinnacle vests tested, four of them failed the tests, with 13 rounds penetrat-



photo by R.D. Ward

Brig. Gen. R. Mark Brown addresses the media during a press conference at the Pentagon, May 22.

ing completely on the first or second shot, Brown said. After the first complete penetration, the vests technically failed the test, but the Army continued the testing to be fair, he said.

The Pinnacle vests also were subjected to extreme temperature variations, from minus 25 degrees Fahrenheit to 120 degrees Fahrenheit, which would be a realistic cycle if the equipment was loaded onto a plane and flown to the Middle East, Brown said. These temperature tests caused the adhesive holding the Dragon Skin’s protective discs together to fail, and the discs gathered at the bottom of the vest, leaving gaps in protection, he said. Brown also noted that the Dragon Skin vests are significantly heavier and thicker than the Interceptor vests. Dragon

Skin vests in size extra large are 47.5 pounds and 1.7 to 1.9 inches thick; the Interceptor vests in size large, which offer an equivalent coverage area to the extra large Dragon Skin vests, weigh 28 pounds and are 1.3 inches thick.

“Bottom line is it does not meet Army standards,” the general said of the Pinnacle body armor.

Brown showed reporters videos of the tests, which were supervised by the chief executive officer of Pinnacle. He also displayed the actual vests that were tested, with markers showing the penetration sites.

The Army did not initially release the information about the tests because of possible security concerns, Brown said. “We are facing a very media-savvy enemy,” he said.

INSCOM honors fallen



photos by Brian Murphy

Command Sgt. Maj. Maureen Johnson, Col. (Ret) Leonard Fischer and his wife Evelyn participate in the ceremony.

In honor of Memorial Day, the names of four service members who lost their lives supporting INSCOM's mission in Iraq were added to the INSCOM Memorial, in front of the Nolan Bldg., Fort Belvoir, Va.

Maj. Gen. John DeFreitas, III, INSCOM's commanding general, addressed the crowd as Capt. Kermit Evans and Master Sgt. Brad Clemmons of the Air Force, as well as Sgt. Keith Fiscus and Staff Sgt. Darren Harmon were honored, May 24.

The ceremony also featured music by the U.S. Army Band (Pershing's Own) Brass Quintet.



Music for the Memorial Day ceremony was provided by members of the U.S. Army Band (Pershing's Own) Brass Quintet.

Troops get happy Memorial Day

BAGRAM AIRFIELD, Afghanistan (Army News Service) – It was a proud day for 19 active-duty servicemembers who took the oath of allegiance making them among the newest U.S. citizens during a naturalization ceremony here Memorial Day.

U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan, William Wood, delivered the keynote address and with the help of Maj. Gen. David Rodriguez, commanding general, 82nd Airborne Division and Combined Joint Task Force-82, they presented the servicemembers with their certificates of citizenship.

Pamela Hutchings, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services officer-in-charge, led the servicemembers in the oath of allegiance formally making them U.S. citizens.

"Today is a day for celebration as we welcome our brothers and sisters in arms as they take their places as members of the greatest democracy on

the earth," said Rodriguez. "There is no better way for us to recognize the sacrifices they are making here than to grant them the right to call themselves Americans. They join over twenty thousand Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines who, since 2002, have taken the oath of citizenship during the war on terror and become citizens of the nation they have risked their lives to defend.

"We want to say to every one of you; we are proud of the job you are doing here. We are proud that you chose to become a citizen of the United States of America. We are proud to be your leaders," he said.

The general shared his thoughts on the induction of the newest American citizens, "It is a pleasure to participate in today's ceremony. I can't think of any place I would rather be than here on Memorial Day to assist with this naturalization ceremony for our service-

members. The United States of America has no greater strength than our newest citizens, who by their service and by their oath have joined forever our country and our effort and our values."

The new citizens are from American Samoa, Antigua-Barbuda, Argentina, Belize, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Republic of the Philippines, Sierra Leone, St. Vincent and Taiwan.

After emigrating from the Philippines to the U.S. at age 15, 21-year-old Spc. Ma Estrellita Dasmarinas, a human resource specialist, said she was thrilled to receive her citizenship.

"I'm very excited about getting my citizenship. It is a privilege and an honor to have the ambassador and the general here for my ceremony," Spc. Dasmarinas said with a smile. "I can't wait to call home and tell them the big news."

INSCOM makes changes

The personnel and equipment have moved, and now the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command's Intelligence Oversight Office is re-designated as the Intelligence Oversight Branch of the Inspector General Office.

"By restructuring, we created a more effective and more efficient organization," said Darell G. Lance, INSCOM's chief of staff. "This doesn't just help the IG or IO – it makes the entire staff more efficient."

Maj. Gen. John DeFreitas, III, INSCOM's commanding general, approved the integration of IO into the IG effective April 16, but one thing hasn't changed: the chief of the IO branch will remain as the intelligence oversight staff officer for Headquarters, INSCOM. IO branch will retain responsibility for IO training.

However, policy development functions formerly handled by the old IO office have transferred to G2X.